TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Consolidated Staff Report

SAN BRUNO CITY HALL
City Hall Training Room, Adjacent to Public Works
567 El Camino Real
San Bruno, California

WEDNESDAY, November 1, 2006 – 6:00 PM

NEW BUSINESS

A. Artichoke Joe's request for approximately 246 linear feet (LF) of red curbing and short sections of red curbing on traffic approach to the two existing Huntington Avenue crosswalks near Artichoke Joe's

Mr. Ron Cox of Artichoke Joe's has requested that approximately 246 linear feet of west side curbing on Huntington Avenue be painted red. This red curbing would be along the frontage of Artichoke Joe's Casino. This red curbing would run from driveway to driveway. Short lengths of red curbing were also requested for the traffic approaches to both ends of each of the two existing mid-block crosswalks. (Please see attached plan.)

Presently along the frontage of Artichoke Joe's, where the approximately 246 linear feet (LF) of red curbing has been requested, exists red and yellow zones in addition to unlimited, unmarked curbside parking as follows:

- 1. Existing red curbing, 23 LF and 5 LF:
- 2. Unlimited parking, 5 spaces, 96 LF; and
- 3. Two yellow loading zones of 68 and 77 LF each.

Should the requested 246 linear feet of red curbing be approved, then four (4) to five (5) curbside parking spaces will be lost in addition to 147 linear feet, total, of yellow curbing for loading/unloading and cab service. The proposed 246 linear feet of red curbing is to make parking, stopping or standing illegal. This red curbing would not be compatible with the loading/unloading or cab service that Artichoke Joe's may want continued at major entries to the casino.

The reason given for the 246 LF of red curbing is that it would be for security from a certain threat by making parking, stopping, or standing along the frontage of Artichoke Joe's illegal. (The matter of the stated threat has been reported to the Police Department.)

The requested short sections of red curbing from four (4) LF to 7.5 LF would provide mutually improved motorist and pedestrian views.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends denial of the requested 246 LF red curbing along the frontage of Artichoke Joe's. The existing curbside parking and yellow and red curbing should remain to provide for the existing parking, loading, and red curbing at the ends of the crosswalks along the frontage of the casino at the westerly side of Huntington Avenue.

Staff recommends approval of the requested short sections of red curbing along the east side of Huntington Avenue, opposite the casino. This red curbing would be on the northbound traffic approaches to each of the crosswalks. However, staff recommends that the requested short sections of red curbing be extended a few feet for improved clear view at no loss of curbside parking. (Please see attached plan.)

B. An Existing West Bound Whitman Way Merge Lane

A "merge left" lane exists adjacent to a "through" lane on westbound Whitman Way on the northerly side of the intersection of Whitman Way and Cunningham Way. A SamTrans bus stop exists at the merge lane curbside and within this merge lane.

Red curbing ranges 68 LF from above the intersection to the bus stop sign. However, parking is permitted immediately north of the bus stop sign. This parking is within the merge lane and the travel area ahead of the merge lane which are necessary for safe merging with the westbound, Whitman Way, "through" lane, left of the merge lane.

Any parking within the merge lane and the merge, travel area beyond the merge lane obstructs bus departure from the bus stop and any travel in the merge lane. Parking within the merge lane and in the travel area ahead of the merge lane must be avoided by merge lane traffic and could potentially cause an accident. (Please see attached plan.)

Staff Recommendation:

Extend the existing 68 LF red curb westward 75 LF to keep the "merge left" lane and the necessary "merge left" area, immediately beyond, clear of parking.

C. Schedule for Upcoming TSPC Meetings

At the present time there are six issues pending for consideration by the TSPC. In addition, there are a number of requests for possible traffic calming measures that will not be acted on until the City Council reviews the report on the pilot traffic calming program in January 2007, and provides further direction.

Following is a listing of the pending TSPC issues along with the proposed date for the TSPC to consider these matters.

Request Date:	Requested By:	Location:	Request:	Scheduled Date:
8/21/2006	Mr. Nick Lopez		Assistance to Identify Possible locations for New Audible Pedestrian Signals.	12/6/2006
9/5/2006	Ms. Alta Evangelist	DeSoto Way at Bayview Ave.	New 4-Way Stop.	12/6/2006
9/1/2006	Petition	San Bruno Ave. at Easton Ave.	New Signal or Stop Sign.	1/3/2007

9/7/2006	Ms. Lum	Portola Highlands.	New Red Curb at Driveway	1/3/2007
			Tips.	
9/21/2006		Santa Dominga Ave. at S. San Anselmo Ave.	New 4-Way Stop.	2/7/2007
9/21/2006	ACORN	San Bruno Ave. at 6th Ave.	New Stop Light.	2/7/2007